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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Kindly amend the specification as follows:

1. In the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 11, as follows:

The base and the head each have a bore perpendicular to their axes aligned to receive the manifold therethrough. A bolt threads into the manifold base end, terminating within the base when the manifold is installed in the base, compressing a first O-ring seal between the bolt head and a shoulder of an upper recess in the base. When the bolt and the manifold pull together as the bolt threads into the manifold, a shelf circumferential about the manifold on the base under side opposite the bolt head on the base upper side compresses a second O-ring seal between the shelf and a shoulder of a lower recess in the base. The degree of compression of the O-rings is thereby adjusted by the degree of tightening of the bolt into the manifold. The base has an axial passageway between a base entry orifice and the base bore that aligns with a manifold upper circumferential groove. A manifold upper passageway coplanar with the base passageway and radial to the manifold axis connects to a manifold axial passageway. Thus, the first and second O-rings effect a fluid seal between the base and the manifold passageways.

2. In the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 14, as follows:

To move the lever on the distal end of the extension pole, it is connected to a rod that runs between the lever and an actuator on the pole, typically intermediate the pole and within reach of the operator at the pole proximal end. Typically, the actuator comprises a grip around the pole that slides along the pole when exercised by the operator. Therefore, any

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sliding movement of the hand grip on the pole causes rotation of the head on the base. Thus configured, the operator is able to support the pole with one hand on the grip as one would normally support an extension pole with one hand along the pole to stabilize and manipulate the pole while also using that bracing hand to control the nozzle orientation.